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Examining Group No. 1700

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Attorney Docket No.: 702-961170

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Group Art Unit 1761

In re Application of

G.A. VAN SCHOUWENBURG

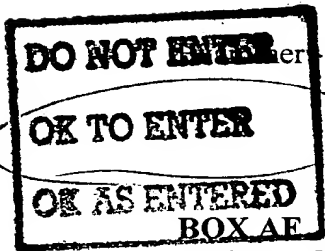
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Filed November 22, 1996

METHOD FOR PREPARING A
COHERENT PIECE OF MEAT FROM
SMALLER PIECES OF MEAT, AND
THE COHERENT PIECE OF MEAT
OBTAINED

Inventor: C. Sherrer

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
May 2, 2000



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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 2, 2000, Applicant submits
the following amendment and remarks.

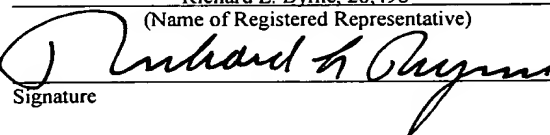
IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 1, line 17, replace “, while” with --; and--.

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Serial No.: 08/716,223 Filing Date: November 22, 1996
Examiner: C. Sherrer Group Art Unit: 1761
Invention: "Method for Preparing a Coherent Piece of Meat From Smaller Pieces of Meat, And The Coherent Piece of Meat Obtained"

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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